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In re Application of:

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For: NEW SEQUENCES OF HEPATITIS C
VIRUS GENOTYPES AND THEIR USE AS
PROPHYLACTIC, THERAPEUTIC AND
DIAGNOSTIC AGENTS

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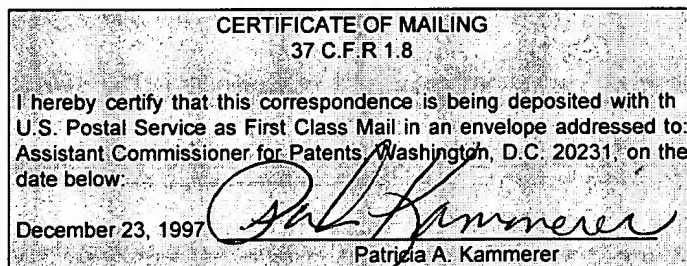
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION OF SPECIES
REQUIREMENT IN OFFICE ACTION MAILED NOVEMBER 25, 1997**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:



This paper is filed in response to the Office Action mailed November 25, 1997 having a one-month period of time due to expire December 26, 1997. Please amend the application as follows:

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